

## ANOTHER SALT BANKER HOME.

SCH. OLGA HAS 100,000 POUNDS SALT COD, TAKEN AT VIRGIN ROCKS.

The bad weather of yesterday, which continued last night, made it too nasty for the herring torchers to do any dipping. Indeed they did not go across the bay and those which started out returned before 7 o'clock.

There was but one off shore arrival early this morning, sch. Olga of the dory handline fleet coming in and anchoring well down the harbor. She has been to the Virgin Rocks and hails for 100,000 pounds of salt cod.

Her arrival reduces the number of salt bankers now out to three.

Some of the market boats came from Boston and have tied up at the wharves for over Thanksgiving.

Owing to the stormy weather of yesterday, the torching boats were unable to procure bait, so did not come over to fish last night.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are as follows:

### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Olga, Virgin Rocks, dory handline, 100,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Harriet, shore.

Sch. Mary B. Greer, shore.

Sch. Evelyn Thompson, shore.

Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, shore.

Sch. Pythian, shore.

Sch. Mettacommet, shore.

Sch. Marguerite Haskins, shore.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, shore.

Sch. Olympia, pollocking.

Sch. Pythian, pollocking.

Sch. Eglantine, pollocking.

Sch. Wm. H. Rider, pollocking.

Sch. Marguerite Haskins, pollocking.

Sch. Mabel E. Bryson, pollocking.

Sch. Margie Turner, pollocking.

Sch. Valentina, pollocking.

Sch. Jennie and Esther, pollocking.

Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, via Boston.

Sch. Thalia, haddock.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, via Boston.

Sch. Evelyn L. Thompson, via Boston.

Sch. Matthew S. Greer, via Boston.

Sch. Mary B. Greer, via Boston.

Sch. Harriet, via Boston.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, via Boston.

Sch. Rose Standish, via Boston.

Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, shore.

### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Galatea, pollocking.

Sch. Hope, pollocking.

Sch. Lafayette, pollocking.

Sch. Mettacommet, pollocking.

Sch. James W. Parker, haddock.

### Today's Fish Market.

Salt trawl bank cod, \$4.75 for large and \$4.37½ for medium.

Bank halibut, 11 3-4 cts. per lb. for white and 10 cts. for gray, heads on.

Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2.00.

Salt haddock, \$2.00 per cwt.

Salt hake, \$2.00 per cwt.

Salt pollock, \$2.00 per cwt.

Dory handline cod, \$4.75 per cwt. for large; \$4.40 for mediums and \$3.25 for snappers.

Splitting prices for fresh fish:

Eastern cod, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$1.80; snappers, 80c.

Cusk, large, \$1.75 per cwt.; medium \$1.30; snappers, 50c.

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.; hake, \$1.30 per cwt.; dressed pollock, \$1.15 per cwt.; round pollock, \$1.00 per cwt.

Handline Georges cod, large \$5 per cwt.; medium, \$4.50.

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### Fish Show Feeling.

Some fish psychologists show by snapshots that fish have feelings pretty much the same as folk. For instance, fish called pike, when they see something good to eat, raise the fin on the back, and when a choice tidbit is jerked away just as the fish is ready to gobble it the fish curves its back in sadness, "gets a hump on." Other fish turn pale when frightened, their color cells changing to a lighter color.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Lizzie Griffin, J. J. Flaherty and Maxine Elliott, bound for Bay of Islands, N. F., were at Louisburg, C. B., Saturday and cleared the same day.

Sch. Slade Gorton was at Shelburne, N. S., on Monday.

Sch. Clintonia was at Liverpool N. S., on Monday.

## BIG MILLION DOLLAR PLANT.

Fishing on an Extensive Scale to Be Started in British Columbia.

That a fishing industry on a large scale is to be established at Prince Rupert, B. C., and elsewhere on the coast, in close proximity to the great halibut, salmon, herring and cod fishing grounds, is now something more than a possibility. The Canadian Fisheries and Cold Storage Company, with a capital of \$1,000,000, has been formed, and with such men as Sir George Doughty, who is one of the largest fishing ship owners of Grimsby, and James Carruthers, a grain exporter of Montreal, behind the scheme, it is sure to be a success.

The company has secured a valuable freehold site of 74 acres, with a water frontage of 3,600 feet, on the North Skeena river, in the vicinity of Prince Rupert. The name of the docks will be known as Port Grimsby. Already there are wharves, warehouses, quays, wholesale fish market, cold storage and ice factory, salt and coal depots, fish curing, oil and fertilizer works, similar to those which are in existence at Grimsby, Hull and Aberdeen. The Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company has completed the portion of the new line which runs through the property, and has undertaken to erect a station, together with a private siding, along the fish pontoon for the use of the company.

The Dominion government recently passed an act giving a rebate of one-third of express freight charges to Canadians forwarding fish to various provinces in Canada, and has cancelled the privilege of showing alien fishermen to buy fish bait in Canadian harbors.

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## HERRING ARE REPORTED PLENTIFUL.

Several Vessels Reported

Loaded and Bound Home

From Newfoundland.

A letter to the Boston Fish Bureau from Bay of Islands, N. F., states that the recent arrivals there for herring cargoes have been sch. Arthur James, Sylvania, Annie M. Parker, Jennie B. Hodgdon, Priscilla Smith, Constellation, Oriole and Vida M. McKown.

Sch. S. P. Willard is reported loaded with salt herring and sch. T. M. Nicholson of Bucksport, has loaded at Bonne Bay with salt herring, and sailed for home.

Sch. Alice R. Lawson is also on the way from Bonne Bay with a salt herring cargo.

Sch. Smuggler is also reported loaded with salt herring and sailed from Bay of Islands.

There has been no frost as yet, the weather continues wild.

No Canadian vessels have arrived as yet to load herring cargoes.

Advices received here yesterday state that the herring fishing continues good at Bay of Islands. The schools appear to be shifting around, but the boats are making good catches. At Bonne Bay the run of small herring is still on and the fish plentiful.

Sch. Helen G. Wells has loaded with salt herring at Bay of Islands and has sailed for home.

Sch. Mystery arrived here Wednesday night with the second salt herring cargo of the season and the first from Bay of Islands. Capt. Wise reports a fair passage along.

### Halibut Fishermen After Bears.

The Alaskan Indian boats and quite a number of the gillnet boats have outfitted and left for black and grizzly bear trapping. These animals can be trapped until December 5, and it is poor bear trapping that will not beat halibut fishing, when halibut brings only 2 1-2 cents at Seattle. About half of the Wrangle Narrows fleet have quit or tied up. There will be no large movement of halibut from Juneau or the Narrows until better prices prevail.

### Change of Skippers.

Capt. Albert Larkin will make one more trip on the Natalie J. Nelson before turning her over to Capt. Joseph Cabral. Capt. Larkin expects to have his new semi-knockabout in commission by the middle of December.

### Herring Fare on Way Home.

Sch. Alice R. Lawson has loaded with salt herring at Bonne Bay, N. F., and is now on the way home.

### Shipping Green Fish to This City.

The catch of the fishing sch. Elsie M. Walters is being packed green in casks and shipped by train to this city by W. C. Smith & Co. of Lunenburg, N. S.

On Thursday and Friday, W. C. Smith & Co. shipped four carloads of fish, three to this city, and one to the West Indies, via Yarmouth.

### Will Lay Up Sch. Arbitrator.

Capt. Manuel Silva decided yesterday to lay the Arbitrator up for two months. The captain smiled at the absurdity of the story published in some papers, in which he and his men were pictured as putting buckets on their heads to prevent injury from hailstones during a squall last Saturday.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. John Hays Hammond was at Halifax on Saturday.

Sch. Esperanto sailed from Canso, N. S., on Saturday.

Sch. Titania was at Sandy Point, N. S., recently.

### Caught Four-Pound Mackerel.

Yesterday, while the crew of the Harriet were fishing off Thatcher's island Frank Mitchell took a four-pound mackerel. He put the fish on ice, and as his vessel will return to Gloucester tonight will have the mackerel as a beginning of his Thanksgiving feast.

## Nov. 23.

### STILL BUYING HERRING.

Sardine Season at Eastport Will End in Eight Days.

Notwithstanding the fact that orders were received a week ago from the Eastport sardine packers to stop the further buying of herring at Portland for their use, they are still purchasing fish at other places, and the steamer Calvin Austin, which arrived at Portland Monday afternoon on her way from Boston for the eastward, had on board over 700 barrels of the little fish for the Eastport cannery. Only three of the Eastport factories are running, besides one in Lubec, and as the packing season will end in eight days, the packers are making a desperate effort to get enough fish to fill out their orders, fish being shipped to them from different points in Massachusetts Bay.

Most of the Portland fleet that were engaged in fishing for herring in that vicinity hauled off a week ago, but several are still engaged in the business and are bringing in a fair amount of large sized fish, nearly 50 barrels being landed Monday at the plant of the Portland Cold Storage Co. The fish average nearly a half pound each, and are about 11 inches in length, and after being frozen, find ready sale as an article of food.

The Lord Brothers ship a large amount to different parts of the state, while dealers in New York and Philadelphia stand ready to take all that can be caught. Parties engaged in the fishery consider that the prospect is encouraging for a good run of the fish for a month longer. The sardine factory at South Portland is still in operation, and will run until the closing of the season on November 30.



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# SOME GOOD FARES SINCE WEDNESDAY

ANOTHER CARGO OF SALT HERRING ARRIVED FROM NEW-FOUNDLAND.

Three of the Georges handline cod-fishing fleet have arrived since last report, sch. Fish Hawk with 23,000 pounds of salt cod, sch. Arthur D. Story with 30,000 pounds and sch. Mattie Winship with 35,000 pounds. The latter two are fine fares, indeed, and with the present \$5 market will bring good financial returns.

Sch. Mystery arrived Wednesday night from Bay of Islands, N. F., with a cargo of salt herring, the second to arrive from Newfoundland this season. The craft hauled right at the Reed & Gamage's wharf and work on her cargo was begun immediately. She is one of the Gorton-Pew fleet.

This morning sch. Ingomar, Capt. Horace Wildes, arrived from Western bank with a fine fare, 50,000 pounds of fresh fish.

The torchers had about 150 barrels of herring yesterday, but today 30 barrels will cover all there was brought over.

It is evidently no fish day on the shore grounds, for the big fleet of market boats is still in port here and hugging the wharves.

This forenoon produced a generally unexpected salt fish arrival in the shape of the British sch. Elfreda May, from Grand Bank, N. F., with 236,614 pounds of salt codfish for Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company, the fish having been bought at that port recently by the company's agent. Another fare is expected from the same port. Capt. Trowbridge of the schooner reports a fair passage of six days with several calm spells and no hard winds.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

## Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

- Sch. Ingomar, Western Banks, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Mattie Winship, Georges, handlining, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Br. sch. Elfreda May, Grand Bank, N. F., 236,614 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. Arthur D. Story, Georges, handlining, 30,000 lbs. cod.
- Sch. Fish Hawk, Georges, handlining, 23,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. Mystery, Bay of Islands, N. F., 1240 bbls. salt herring.
- Sch. Gladys and Sabra, shore, 5000 lbs. pollock.
- Sch. Massasoit, shore, 1200 lbs. pollock.
- Torchers, 150 bbls. fresh herring.

## Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. Evelyn M. Thompson, haddock-ing.
- Sch. Florida, cod netting.
- Sch. Georgiana, shore.
- Sch. Hope, pollocking.
- Sch. Massasoit, pollocking.
- Sch. Marguerite Haskins, pollocking.
- Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, Boston.
- Sch. Lena and Maud, Bay of Islands, N. F.
- Sch. Lucinda I. Lowell, Bay of Islands, N. F.
- Sch. Flirt, Bay of Islands, N. F.
- Sch. Mary B. Greer, via Boston.
- Sch. Thomas S. Gorton, haddocking.
- Sch. Flora J. Sears, via Boston.
- Sch. Thalia, haddocking.
- Sch. Aspinet, haddocking.
- Sch. Mabel E. Bryson, via Boston.
- Sch. James and Esther, pollocking.
- Sch. Valentinna, pollocking.

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  - Eastern cod, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$1.80; snappers, 80c.
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  - Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.; hake, \$1.30 per cwt.; dressed pollock, \$1.15 per cwt.; round pollock, \$1.00 per cwt.
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# ELEVEN ARRIVALS AT T WHARF.

DEMAND FOR FISH IS LIGHT TODAY, BUT PRICES ARE WELL SUSTAINED.

As was expected, there are but few arrivals at T wharf this morning, only 11 crafts being at the dock with fish and five of these are from offshore. The total supply is not large but prices are about the same as on the day before Thanksgiving. A good-sized fleet and an advanced market are looked for on Monday. But little is expected tomorrow, as the boats are not fishing today.

The steam trawler Spray is in, having been out but a few days. She has a small catch, 24,000 pounds, and like the Foam does not appear to be striking very good fishing of late.

The shore boat fares run from 2300 to 6000 pounds, and the one pollocker in has 10,000 pounds. Of the offshore fleet in, sch. Squanto has the largest catch, 39,000 pounds. Schs. Raymah, Esperanto, and Quannapowit are the other offshoreers in, each having small catches.

Old haddock are bringing \$1.30 and \$2.50 is the price on new stock. Large cod are from \$3.50 to \$5, pollock, \$1.65; and hake, \$1.30 to \$2.25.

The fares and prices in detail are:

## Boston Arrivals.

- Sch. Mabel Bryson, 10,000 pollock.
- Steamer Spray, 22,000 haddock, 1200 cod, 700 hake.
- Sch. Raymah, 3200 haddock, 9000 cod.
- Sch. Squanto, 28,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 2000 hake.
- Sch. Quannapowit, 5500 haddock, 1500 cod, 20,000 hake.
- Sch. Flora J. Sears, 1000 haddock, 2000 cod.
- Sch. Esperanto, 11,000 haddock, 21,000 cod, 1000 hake.
- Sch. Mary Emerson, 6000 cod.
- Sch. Reliance, 4000 cod.
- Sch. Sylvester, 4500 cod.
- Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, 2000 haddock, 300 cod, 2000 hake.
- Haddock, \$3 to \$3.50 large cod, \$3.50 to \$5; market cod, \$2.50 to \$3.50; hake, \$1.30 to \$2.25; pollock, \$1.65.

## Pensacola Fisheries.

Red snappers and groupers were the only kind of fish landed at Pensacola last week. The Saunders Company had seven arrivals, Warren Fish Company two, and Bay Fish Company two. Total receipts were 110,000 pounds red snappers and 31,000 pounds groupers.

Vessels to E. E. Saunders & Company were: Smack Sheffield, 13,000 pounds red snappers; smack Wallace McDonald, 11,000 pounds red snappers; smack Lottie G. Howard, 16,000 pounds red snappers and 7000 pounds groupers; smack Clara M. Littlefield, 14,000 pounds red snappers; smack Ruth A. Welles, 6000 pounds red snappers and 6000 pounds groupers; smack Dorothy, 12,000 pounds red snappers and 6000 pounds groupers; smack John M. Keen, 7000 pounds red snappers and 6000 pounds groupers.

To Warren Fish Company: Smack Althea Franklin, 10,000 pounds red snappers; smack Herman Oelrichs, 7000 pounds red snappers and 5000 pounds groupers.

To Bay Fish Company: Smack Dolphin, 8000 pounds red snappers and 1000 pounds groupers; smack Two Boys, 6000 pounds red snappers.

## Fish and the Moon.

A recent report of the Scotch Fishery Board mentioned a curious habit, which, according to the fishermen, is associated with fish; the phases of the moon, it was asserted, having a very direct connection with the willingness of fish to be netted. To test this theory statistics were obtained of the catch of herrings from 1860 to 1900, with the result that the biggest catches were found to have coincided with new moon and the smallest with full moon. The report suggested that a full moon enabled the nets to be seen much more easily than at the times of new moon or the crescent phase, or that the tides, which vary with the lunar phases, were possible factors in the matter.

Nov. 26.

# STORM HURRIED OFFSHORE FLEET.

OFFSHORE ARRIVALS AT BOSTON WERE NOT EXPECTED TILL MONDAY.

As was anticipated the bulk of the arrivals at T wharf today are from offshore, and even the most of these were not looked for before Monday, the storm evidently hurrying them along.

Of the 12 arrivals, eight are of the big offshore chaps, while one market boat and three little bay netters complete the list, one of these latter, the Freedom, having the largest fare of 9000 pounds of codfish.

The offshore craft comprise schs. Elmer E. Gray, Onato, Patrician, Lucania, Arabia and Cynthia, from the eastward, and sch. Robert and Arthur and Speculator from South Channel. The crafts from the eastward all have good trips, in the vicinity of 50,000 or 60,000 pounds each, sch. Onato with 59,000 pounds heading the list. Cod and haddock predominate, and sch. Patrician, in addition has 2000 pounds of halibut, which found a fine market.

Prices are about the lowest of the whole season, haddock going below \$3 for the first time in a long while, still the offering of the buyers are far from being actually low and about all the big vessels will come out pretty well.

Haddock sold at \$2.75 and \$3, large cod \$3 and market \$2.50, large hake brought \$1.75 to \$2.40 and small hake \$1.30. Cusk, what few there were in, fetched \$2, while halibut were worth 15 and 11 cents per pound.

For the week ending Thursday night 124 fares of fresh fish, comprising 1,927,350 pounds were landed at T wharf against 83 arrivals with 1,337,200 pounds for the corresponding week last year.

The fishermen in Maine yesterday morning sent up to T wharf a lot of haddock and cod, and 25 boxes of green smelts. A consignment of 30 barrels of smelts was also received from the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island fishermen.

The arrivals this morning in detail are:

## Boston Arrivals.

- Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, 4600 haddock, 2000 cod, 2000 hake.
- Sch. Elmer E. Gray, 30,000 haddock, 2400 cod.
- Sch. Onato, 48,000 haddock, 11,000 cod.
- Sch. Speculator, 3000 haddock, 4000 cod, 10,000 hake, 5000 cusk.
- Sch. Patrician, 18,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 16,000 hake, 2000 halibut.
- Sch. Lucania, 17,000 haddock, 36,000 cod.
- Sch. Freedom, 9000 cod.
- Sch. Sloop Wodan, 3000 cod.
- Sch. Kate Maxwell, 3600 cod.
- Sch. Arabia, 25,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 12,000 hake.
- Sch. Robert and Arthur, 4000 haddock, 7000 cod, 12,000 hake.
- Sch. Cynthia, 8000 haddock, 8000 cod, 10,000 hake.
- Haddock, \$2.75 to \$3 per cwt; large cod, \$3; small cod, \$2.50; large hake, \$1.75 to \$2.40; small hake, \$1.30; cusk, \$2; halibut, 15 and 11 cents per lb.

## Portland Fish News.

Several trips of herring were brought in Thursday, the largest of the lot coming in on the steamer Sebasco, she having about 75 barrels.

The members of the Portland fishing fleet enjoyed their Thanksgiving dinner at home. With the exception of one or two crafts, none of the vessels were outside. None came in during the day so that not a pound of fish was landed here Thursday.

The crew of the fishing sch. Albert W. Black came very near eating fish instead of turkey for dinner on Thanksgiving day, the vessel having been two days in making the run down from Boston, where she took out a fare of 12,000 pounds of fish on Tuesday. On starting out she ran into a howling northeaster and was obliged to lay over one night at Portsmouth. She had to beat her way the whole run from Boston, but succeeded in reaching this port Thursday forenoon, where the crew quickly scattered for their homes.